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## LOUISVILLE MAN AND WOMAN SENTENCED ON FEDERAL DRUG TRAFFICKING AND CONSPIRACY CHARGES

- Two crack dealers get over 5 years in prison each

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **JASON AUTRY**, age 21, of Louisville, Kentucky, and **ROBRICCA RUTLEDGE**, age 30, of Louisville, Kentucky, **were sentenced** in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, for conspiring to distribute cocaine base, also known as "crack" cocaine and also for distributing and attempting to distribute cocaine base in Bullitt County, Kentucky.

Judge Jennifer B. Coffman, United States District Court, sentenced **Autry** to 5 years and 10 months of incarceration, plus 4 years of supervised release following incarceration. **Rutledge** was also sentenced to 5 years and 10 months of incarceration, plus 4 years of supervised release following incarceration. **There is no parole in the federal judicial system**.

On August 21, 2006, **Autry** pled guilty to conspiring to possess with the intent to distribute 42.9 grams of crack cocaine between September 26, 2005 and September 29, 2005. **Autry** also admitted that on September 29, 2005, in Bullitt County, he and **Rutledge** possessed with the intent to distribute 42.9 grams of crack cocaine, and attempted to distribute the substance.

On October 20, 2006, **Rutledge** pled guilty to conspiring to possess with the intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine between September 26, 2005 and September 29, 2005 and to distributing five grams or more of crack cocaine in Bullitt County, Kentucky on September

26, 2005. Rutledge also admitted that on September 29, 2005, also in Bullitt County, she and Autry

possessed with the intent to distribute 42.9 grams of crack cocaine, and attempted to distribute the

substance.

The street value of 42.9 grams of crack cocaine is approximately \$4,290.00.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Randy Ream and Thomas

W. Dyke and was investigated by the Kentucky State Police and the Drug Enforcement

Administration.

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